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MEMORANDUM	FOR:	Director	of	Information	Technology,	DA
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FROM:

Chief, Information Management Staff, DO

SUBJECT:

DO Terminal Plans

- 1. IMS is pleased that OIT has agreed to provide a "diskless" (non-writable diskette) version of the new standard workstation, and, as we have indicated earlier, we do plan to use it in the Directorate of Operations. (This assumes a secure and acceptable method is provided to load the initial operating environment into the diskless workstations). However, you should be aware that we will not be able to use it with our ALLSTAR Upgrade project until the following activities are completed:
- o A suitable DO user interface must be developed, and integrated with Delivery 3 of SAFE. This interface must permit the DO SAFE user to create a cable using a suitable word processing package in concert with a cable "model", then to "file" the cable in an AIM folder. The user must subsequently be able to retrieve the cable from the AIM folder and edit it using the PC-based word processing package, send it to another AIM user, or print it. The level of integration that is required between the PC-based word processing package, the cable model and AIM is essentially the same level of integration that exists now between the Host Based Word Processing package, the AIM cable model and AIM.
- o The SAFE software must be modified to support scrolling with 3270-type devices.
- o Appropriate communications support must be provided to out-buildings such that 3270-type devices can be connected to mainframe computers (the DO's training facility is located in

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- 2. You can appreciate that, until these activities are completed, we will have to continue to use Delta Data terminals for our ALLSTAR Upgrade project. Current indications are that we will have to stay with Delta Datas through mid-1988. Accordingly, we are attempting to arrange for the transfer of a number of Delta Data terminals (version 4.0) from OIR, and would like to elicit your support in this endeavor. We would also be very interested in obtaining any surplus Delta Data terminals OIT has to offer. Significantly, SAFE Delivery 3 (MDS-3) is scheduled to become operational in the Special Center in the mid-1988 time frame. Obviously, it would be advantageous to have the new workstation available by that time, so that all MDS-3 users would have the same type of terminal.
- 3. In summary, IMS fully supports the use of the new Agency standard workstation in the DO, as soon as the problems alluded to above can be resolved to our satisfaction. IMS personnel will continue to work with OIT representatives to ensure that this happens as soon as possible.

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